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TAGS: SREF HK CH

SUBJECT: STOWAWAY: LEE GAR LUN

REF: STATE 91511

1. PER REFTEL US CONGENOFF ON APRIL 23 CONTACTED HKG
POLITICAL ADVISOR DOANLD RE LEE GAR LUN AKA
LEE GAR LUM CASE, HAVING SOME
TEN DAYS AGO PASSED POLAD OFFICE COPIES OF MARCH 25, 1975
US INS RECORD OF SWORN STATEMENT BY LEE GAR LUN AND TWO
US INS RECORDS OF INTERVIEW OF SAME DATE. DONALD STATED
THAT WHILE HKG IMMIGRATION DEPT OFFICIALS HAD TRIED TO
DEVELOP FURTHER LEADS BASED ON INFO IN INS DOCUMENTS, THEY
HAD NOT BEEN SUCCESSFUL. DONALD STATED THAT UNLESS SUBJECT
WERE BROUGHT BACK TO HONG KONG AND INTERROGATED BY HKG
AUTHORITIES, LEE' STATUS VIS-A-VIS HONG KONG GOVERNMENT
COULD NOT BE ESTABLISHED. IF IT WERE DETERMINED THAT
SUBJECT HAD CLAIM TO ESTABLISHED RESIDENCY IN
HONG KONG, HE WOULD BE PERMITTED
TO STAY. ON OTHER HAND, IF IT WERE DETERMINED THAT HE
WAS INDEED A POST-DEC 1, 1974 ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT
FROM PRC, DECISION WOULD HAVE TO BE MADE WHETHER THERE
WERE ANY GROUNDS FOR HIM TO BE GIVEN
EXEMPTION FROM DEPORTATION. SUCH HKG DECISION
WOULD REST ON THE INFORMATION THAT WAS DEVELOPED FROM HKG
INTERROGATION. IN SUM, DONALD SAID HKG CANNOT STATE WITH
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ANY CERTAINTY ON BASIS OF PRESENT INFORMATION AND CIRCUM-

STANCES WHETHER HKG WOULD ACCEPT LEE BACK OR IF HE WOULD
BE DEPORTED TO PRC UPON RETURN TO HONG KONG. SEPARATE
US CONGENOFF CONVERSATION WITH HKG IMMIGRATIONOFFICIAL
PRODUCED SIMILAR HKG IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT OPINION.

2. PRIOR TO CONTACTING DONALD, US CONGENOFF SPOKE WITH
INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMITTEE (IRC) REP HARRY ALLEN
RE SUBJECT. ALLEN STATED IRC INQUIRIES AT WATERLOO ROAD
ADDRESS GIVEN BY LEE AS RESIDENCE OF COUSIN FAILED TO
PRODUCE ANY INFORMATION OR LEADS. ALLEN SAID LETTERS
WRITTEN BY LEE TO ALLEGED RELATIVES IN CANTON ASKING
RELATIVES TO PROVIDE PROOF THAT LEE WAS CANTON RESIDENT HAD
BEEN MAILED BY IRC LAST WEEK BUT NO REPLY YET RECEIVED.
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